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TAGS: MOPS, PREL, PINR, AF, UR  
SUBJECT: MUJAHEDIN CROSS BORDER COW RAID INTO THE  
SOVIET UNION INVITES COSTLY RETALIATION

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2. SUMMARY: FAILING TO ACHIEVE THEIR OBJECTIVE OF  
ATTACKING SOVIET POSTS INSIDE TAJIKISTAN, TWELVE MUJAHEDIN FROM TAKHAR PROVINCE INSTEAD STOLE 150 COWS AND  
BROUGHT THEM TO <>AFGHANISTAN<>. IN RETALIATION, SOVIETS  
KILLED FOUR OF THE TWELVE AND BOMBARDED NEARBY TAKHAR  
VILLAGES, INFLECTING EVEN HIGHER CASUALTIES. END  
SUMMARY.
3. ONE EVENING IN EARLY APRIL, TWELVE MUJAHEDIN LED  
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CROSSED THE AMU DARYA ON INFLATED GOATSKINS

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(MASHQ'S) TO ATTACK SOVIET POSTS INSIDE TAJIKISTAN  
NEAR THE HISTORICAL FORT OF AIYAH KHANOM. A9

THE  
MUJAHEDIN REALIZED THEY WERE GROSSLY OUTNUMBERED AND  
OUTGUNNED AND DECIDED ON A CATTLE RAID INSTEAD. THEY  
TOOK APPROXIMATELY 150 COWS. AS THEY WERE CROSSING  
THE RIVER AT DAWN, SOVIET PLANES BOMBED THEM IN THE  
WATER, KILLING FOUR. LATER PLANES BOMBARDED THREE  
SMALL NEARBY VILLAGES IN KHOJA GHAR WOLUSWALI --  
JAWKADU, QURUQ, AND JELUM -- KILLING 12 AND WOUNDING  
24 OR 25. MOST OF THE COWS ARRIVED SAFELY INSIDE  
<<<AFGHANISTAN>>>.

4. ASKED WHY THE MUJAHEDIN SHOULD LAUNCH AN ATTACK  
INSIDE THE SOVIET UNION INVITING SUCH MASSIVE RETALIATION,  
REPLIED THAT THE MUJAHEDIN OF TAKHAR HAD GROWN  
TIRE OF THE ATTACKS AND SEARCHES OF THEIR VILLAGES. THEY  
WANTED TO SHOW THE RUSSIANS THAT THEY WERE ABLE TO LAUNCH  
GUERRILLA ACTIONS INSIDE RUSSIA. A9 THIS WAS THE

FIRST ATTACK INSIDE THE SOVIET UNION FROM KHOJA GHAR,  
ALTHOUGH JAMIAT MUJAHEDIN HAVE CORSED THE AMU DARYA ON  
SEVERAL OCCASIONS TO DISTRIBUTE QURANS AND JAMIAT  
MEMBERSHIP CARDS TO FELLOW UZBEKS ON THE OTHER SIDE OF  
THE RIVER.

5. COMMENT: SIXTEEN LIVES AND TWO DOZEN WOUNDED IS A  
HIGH PRICE TO PAY FOR 150 COWS, EVEN IF THE MUJAHEDIN  
WERE ABLE TO PROVE THEIR POINT. WE HAVE NO OTHER CON-  
FIRMATION OF THIS ATTACK INSIDE THE SOVIET UNION.  
6. MINIMIZES CONSIDERED.

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